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TAGS: OVIP (DERIAN, PATRICIA)  
SUBJ: DERIAN VISIT TO CAE

1. WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED STATE 064753 AND COPIES OF VARIOUS AF MEMORANDA RELATING TO A POSSIBLE VISIT TO THE CAE BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY DERIAN. GIVEN ITS NOTORIETY, THE CAE IS AN OBVIOUS CHOICE FOR A STOP ON HER AFRICAN TOUR. THE PROGRAM SUGGESTED WOULD GIVE HER A GOOD PERSPECTIVE ON THE COUNTRY BOTH IN TERMS OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL RIGHTS. HER VISIT WOULD ALSO ADD ANOTHER DIMENSION TO OUR DIALOGUE WITH THE GOCAE ON HUMAN RIGHTS.

2. A NOTE OF CAUTION, HOWEVER, IS IN ORDER. WE CAN NOT GUARANTEE A CALL ON BOKASSA. CAROLYN PAYTON WAS NOT ABLE TO SEE HIM, AND BOKASSA SEEMS CONSCIOUSLY TO BE PUTTING A LITTLE DISTANCE BETWEEN HIMSELF AND US SINCE THE PUBLICATION OF THE DEPARTMENT'S HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT. HE MAY THUS DECIDE TO ALLOW THE PRIME MINISTER AND/OR OTHER MINISTERS TO DO THE TALKING (AND THE LISTENING). THIS WAS THE CASE DURING BOTH THE RECENT PAYTON AND WEINSTEIN VISITS.

3. MS. DERIAN'S VISIT SHOULD ALSO NOT BE THOUGHT OF AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR A CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION. THE GOCAE DID NOT  
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EXTEND A PUBLIC INVITATION TO STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS IN JANUARY. THE FOREIGN MINISTER IN PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS WITH ME HAS INDICATED HE IS AWARE THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF SENIOR STATE AND AID OFFICIALS CAME TO BANGUI FOR A FIRST-HAND LOOK. WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER HE HAS DISCUSSED THIS IDEA WITH THE EMPEROR. NONETHELESS, WE ASSUME THE GOVERNMENT WILL GIVE MS. DERIAN VIP TREATMENT. SHE CAN ALSO EXPECT TO HEAR SOME FRANK

EXPRESSIONS OF THE CAE'S CONCERNS ABOUT THE REPORT AND OUR  
HANDLING OF HUMAN RIGHTS. WE WILL DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO MAKE  
SURE THAT THE GOCAE UNDERSTANDS MS. DERIAN'S IMPORTANCE IN THE  
USG AND THE POSITIVE SPIRIT IN WHICH SHE WILL WISH TO DISCUSS  
HUMAN RIGHTS. WE WILL WORK OUT A FULL AND WORTHWHILE PROGRAM  
FOR HER AS SOON AS HER VISIT IS CONFIRMED. WE WOULD APPRECIATE  
AS MUCH LEAD TIME AS POSSIBLE.

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